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AMBS Church Leadership Center

We launch our new [Preaching Seminar](#) this fall with “Preaching Again for the First Time: Refreshing Your Preaching Ministry.” The seminar will meet twice on campus and once online. It is designed for preachers with seven or more years of experience who want to refresh and strengthen their preaching ministry. Allan Rudy-Froese, AMBS professor of Christian proclamation, will lead. [Get details and register here.](#)

Marlene Kropf, AMBS professor of spiritual formation and worship, returns from retirement to lead the [Spiritual Guidance Seminar](#), alongside long-time spiritual director Dan Schrock. This seminar will meet four times on campus for a total of 11 days. It is designed for pastors and others who want to make spiritual guidance part of their ministry. [Get details and apply here](#) before August 15!

Camp Friedenswald Positions available

Guest Hosts

Camp Friedenswald seeks an individual, couple or family to fill voluntary service positions as guest hosts. Position requires an outgoing and hospitable personality and good communication skills. Must be available two weekends a month plus an additional week during each summer month. Housing and some meals provided. A commitment of at least one year is preferred.

Guest Group Coordinator

Camp Friedenswald seeks an individual to fill a voluntary service position as guest group coordinator. Position requires an outgoing and hospitable personality and good communication skills. Responsibilities include reservations, camp store and volunteer coordination. Stipend, housing and some meals provided. A commitment of at least one year is preferred.

Host Families Needed

Bethany Christian Schools is in need of host families for serving international students who would like to attend Bethany. This opportunity to gain cross-cultural experience in your own home often becomes a rewarding experience for the host family, as well as a blessing to the student. Families receive monetary

compensation. For more information or to inquire, contact home-stay coordinator Denise Reesor at dreesor@bethanycs.net or (574) 849-4471 or admissions director Rachel Roth Sawatzky at admissions@bethanycs.net or (574) 534-2567.

Job Openings

Bethany Christian Schools Teacher

Bethany Christian Schools invites applications for the new full-time position of 4th grade teacher for the 2012-13 school year. Next year will be the second year of Bethany's two-year pilot 4th-5th grade program. During the first year, the two grades were offered in a multi-age format in a single classroom. For the second year of the pilot program, in view of the strong enrollment and interest, Bethany will offer separate 4th and 5th grade classes. The new position as 4th grade teacher is a term position, which would likely turn into a long-term appointment following a successful second year of the program. Further information and application details are available at www.bethanycs.net/jobs.

Professor of Business

Goshen College invites applications for a full-time, non-tenure track Professor of Business and Program Director for the Business Administration Degree Program, beginning in January 2013. Responsibilities include teaching both traditional and adult studies business courses and managing curriculum and faculty development in the Business Administration degree program. Ph.D is preferred; master's degree in a business-related discipline as well as significant professional business experience is required. For further details and to apply, see the position announcement at www.goshen.edu/employment.

—Vickie Miller, Assistant Director of Human Resources, Goshen College

Social Studies Teacher

Bethany Christian Schools invites applications for a part-time position as teacher of *Social Studies 7* (40% load) and *Digital Communication 4 & 5* (20%). The position begins August 1, 2012. Further information and application details are available at www.bethanycs.net/jobs.

Softball Coach

Bethany Christian Schools has an opening for softball coach for spring 2013. For more information, contact athletic director Benji Hurst at bjhurst@bethanycs.net.

Jubilee Rummage Sale

Jubilee House is hosting a rummage sale to raise funds for the house! Join us on Saturday, July 28th from 8-3. We are looking for any items you would like to donate to the sale, volunteers to set up, tear down, take money and sell treasures. Set up will begin at 6:30 am, the day of the sale. If you want to bring items over on Friday evening, the 27th, contact Nick Simons at (574) 361-0009.

Lombard Mennonite Peace Center

Mediation Skills Training Institute

Conflict is normal and inevitable – whether in the home, school, community, church or workplace. Leaders in all walks of life often have a responsibility to help others work through their conflicts. The Mediation Skills Training Institute presented by the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center (LMPC) is designed to equip church leaders with the skills necessary to deal

effectively with interpersonal, congregational, and other forms of group conflict. The five-day institute also includes a component on congregational mediation and consultation, placed within the context of family systems theory. [View more information.](#)

Clergy Clinic

The Clergy Clinic meets three times per year for three successive days each time, thus providing nine full days of reflection on the concepts of family emotional process. The format follows the basic themes articulated in Edwin Friedman's *Generation to Generation*, with reflection on the minister's three interlocking families: the minister's own personal family, the parishioner family, and the congregation as a family. [View more information.](#)

Here I Stand: Leading the change through self-differentiation

With increasing levels of anxiety being experienced throughout society, churches are reporting higher rates of burnout and turnover among leaders, increased blaming and victim-thinking among members, abrupt movement into and out of ministry, more destructive conflict, sudden withdrawal and departure of members from the life of the church. In addressing these trends, church leaders have learned that short-term solutions and quick-fixes do little to address the multi-generational patterns which characterize the functioning of congregations and other church organizations. [View more information.](#)

Service opportunities—Young Adults invited to apply

Mennonite Mission Network is looking for young adults who are eager to put their faith into action through service. Each program, while having distinct differences, invites young adults to come alongside communities and congregations who are making a difference in the world through living out Jesus' call to service and peace. For more information and to apply visit Mennonite Mission Network's [apply for service](#) page.

Volunteer Position Open, AMBS

AMBS seeks an individual or couple to serve as Volunteer Coordinator(s). Housing, grocery allowance and small living stipend provided. Participation in chapel, forum, lectureships and community life encouraged! Learn more at ambs.edu/volunteer or contact Jewel at mjglongenecker@ambs.edu.

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